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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The government of India has launched an evacuation mission named Operation Ganga.
  - This is to evacuate Indian nationals from Ukraine due to the Russia-Ukraine tension.
- ❖ Indian Wushu player Sadia Tariq has won a gold medal in the junior tournament at the Moscow Wushu Stars Championship 2022.
  - The 15-year-old Sadia Tariq hails from Srinagar in Jammu & Kashmir.

## TAMIL NADU

### Palk Bay Dugong Reserve

- ❖ Tamil Nadu government has begun work to set up the first Dugong Conservation Reserve of India in the Palk Bay region.
- ❖ Dugongs are endangered species and are protected under the Wildlife Protection Act's, 1972 Schedule 1.
- ❖ The size of the reserve will be spread over around 500 sq km and will be located in Palk Bay's northern part from Adiramapattinam to Amapattinam.
- ❖ Dugongs are also known as Sea Cows.



## NATIONAL

### ICMR/DHR Policy

- ❖ For medical professionals, scientists, and technicians in medical, dental, and paramedical institutes, the Union health ministry has launched the ICMR/ DHR Policy on Biomedical Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

- ❖ This Policy will ensure multi-disciplinary collaboration, promote start-up culture, and develop an innovation-led ecosystem at Medical Institutes across the country by promoting Make-in-India, Start-Up-India, and Atmanirbhar Bharat initiatives.



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**February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

## **New Development Bank**



- ❖ New Development Bank (NDB) will become the first multilateral agency to open an office in the Gujarat International Finance Tech City (Gift).
- ❖ The Indian office will help identify suitable projects and try to create a pipeline of potential financing for the bank.

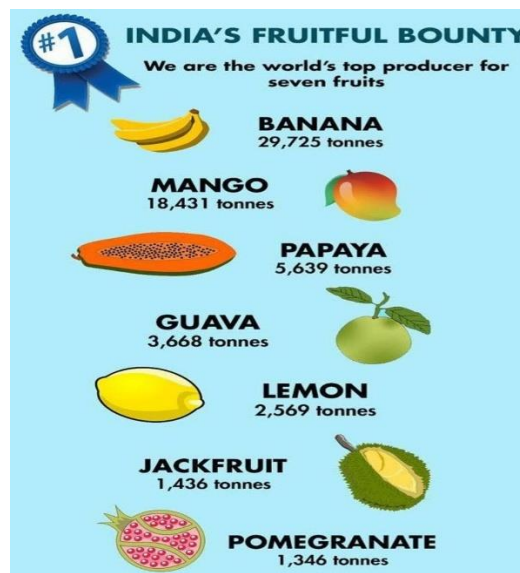
- ❖ NDB also expects to partner with the newly launched National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NBFID) to support crucial infrastructure projects in India.

### **'Hit and Run' Solatium**



- ❖ The Road Transport and Highways Ministry have decided to increase the compensation to the kin of hit-and-run victims by eight times to Rs 2 lakh in case of death starting April 1.
- ❖ The solatium for a person who suffers serious injuries in a hit-and-run case would be increased from Rs 12,500 to Rs 50,000.

### **Fresh fruits export**



- ❖ Fresh fruits export from India has witnessed a major growth.
- ❖ The major destinations of exports of fresh fruits include the Netherlands, Bangladesh, the UK, the UAE, Iran, Nepal, Saudi Arabia, Russia, Qatar, and Oman.
- ❖ In April-January 2021-22, guava exports have risen to USD 2.09 million against USD 0.58 million recorded in April-January 2013-14.
- ❖ Paneer (Indian cottage cheese) and Curd (yogurt) exports have increased as well, to USD 30 million in April-January 2021-22 from USD 10 million in April-January 2013-14.

### **Cobra Warrior 22 - India withdraws**



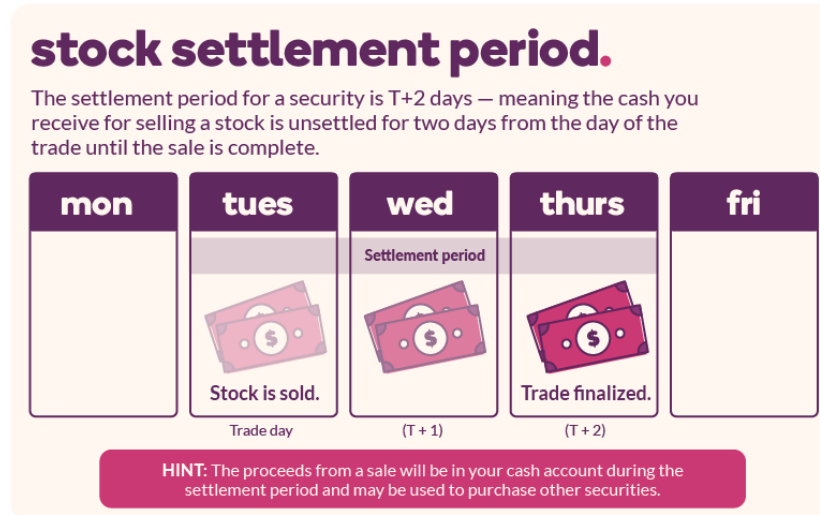
- ❖ The Indian Air Force (IAF) has decided not to send its aircraft to the multilateral air exercise 'Cobra Warrior-22' in the United Kingdom.
- ❖ This is due to the deepening crisis in Ukraine, arising out of the Russian military attack in that country.
- ❖ The exercise is scheduled to take place from March 6 to 27, 2022, at Waddington in the United Kingdom.

## **ECONOMY**

### **T+1 Stock Settlement**

- ❖ India has become the second country after China to implement the T+1 stock settlement mechanism in a phased manner.
- ❖ Before this, the settlement period of stocks in India was T+2, i.e. two days after the actual buy/selling of stock.

- ❖ T means the trade/transaction day i.e. the day on which stock is brought/sold.
- ❖ Here T+1 means that the actual stock settlement will happen on the next day.

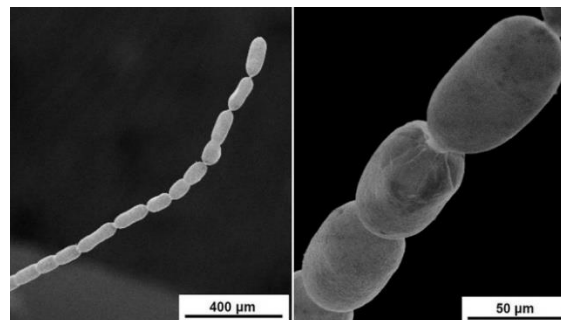


## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### Launch of 22 Satellites

- ❖ China launched a Long March-8 rocket to place 22 satellites in space.
- ❖ With the launch, China set a domestic record for the most spacecraft launched by a single rocket.
- ❖ The rocket blasted off at the Wenchang Spacecraft Launch Site in southern Hainan Province.
- ❖ It marked the 409th flight of Long March carrier rockets.

### Thiomargarita magnifica



- ❖ Scientists have discovered a bacterium that is big enough to be seen through the naked eye.
- ❖ It has been named *Thiomargarita magnifica*.
- ❖ This huge string-like bacterium can grow up to 2 cm in length.
- ❖ It is native to Caribbean mangroves.
- ❖ It's nearly 5,000 times bigger than most other microorganisms.

## STATES

### The Cochin International Airport Limited



- ❖ The Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) is set to commission a 12 MWp solar power plant near Payyannur in the Kannur district of Kerala.
- ❖ In 2015, CIAL became the world's first airport to be fully powered by solar energy.

## PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

### Madhabi Puri Buch



- ❖ Former ICICI Banker, Madhabi Puri Buch has been appointed as the new Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) chairman, replacing Ajay Tyagi.



- ❖ She is the first woman chief of SEBI and also the first non-IAS to head the regulatory body.

## SPORTS

### Singapore Weightlifting International 2022

- ❖ India concluded its campaign at the Singapore Weightlifting International 2022 with eight medals, including six golds and a silver and bronze each.
- ❖ Each of the eight Indian lifters who registered for Singapore International won medals and secured their spots at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.
- ❖ India now has a total of 12 weightlifters qualified for the Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham.

### Ice Hockey Championship 2022

- ❖ The finals of the 15th CEC Cup Men's Ice Hockey Championship, 2022 were played between the teams of ITBP and Ladakh Scouts at the Ice Hockey Rink which is at NDS Sports Complex in Leh.
- ❖ The Ladakh Scouts won the Championship.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### Zero Discrimination Day - March 01



- ❖ The day aims to ensure the right to equality, inclusion, and protection of all people without any discrimination in their law and policies to live a full life with dignity regardless of any barriers.

- ❖ The theme of Zero Discrimination Day 2022: “Remove laws that harm, create laws that empower”.

### **Janaushadhi Diwas 2022 - March 01 to 07**

- ❖ This is the 4th Jan Aushadhi Diwas.
- ❖ The theme of 4th Janaushadhi Diwas: “Jan Aushadhi-Jan Upyogi”.
- ❖ The Government has set a target to increase the number of Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Kendras (PMBJKs) to 10,500 by the end of March 2025.
- ❖ Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana (PMBJP) was launched by the Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India in November 2008.
- ❖ This was launched to provide quality generic medicines available at affordable prices to all.

**Janaushadhi Diwas**  
**week**  
**1 to 7 March 2022**  
4th Jan Aushadhi Diwas= 7th March 2022  
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